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## STOCK-TAKING OVER

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### STEPS TAKEN.

#### To Prevent the Passage of the Hargrove Bill in the Senate.

At a well attended mass meeting held at the city hall Wednesday, resolutions, addressed to the State Senate, were adopted vigorously protesting against the passage of the Hargrove bill, and setting forth the reasons it should be killed. The meeting was the most representative one that Hickman has seen in many days, all the county officers, the mayor, every member of the city council and with one or two exceptions every merchant in town, being present and taking an active part in the proceedings.

County Attorney Remley called the meeting to order, and on motion J. W. Roney was elected chairman and H. O. Helm, clerk. After stating the purpose of the meeting, by chairman Roney, a motion to appoint a committee to draft suitable resolutions was put and carried. J. W. Cowgill, T. T. Swayne, Geo. L. Carpenter, H. F. Remley and F. S. Moore were appointed as such committee.

On motion of R. M. Isler—and carried without a dissenting voice—Judge Joshua Naylor and Sheriff Carpenter were elected to carry the resolutions of the meeting to Frankfort and present same to the senate in person. Also included in this resolution was a clause directing that the Hon. R. T. Tyler, now in Washington, be telegraphed to proceed at once to Frankfort and use his influence to defeat the measure.

On motion, R. M. Isler, C. C. Smith and Tom Dillon, Jr. were appointed a committee to raise funds to defray the expenses of the delegation. Hereupon the meeting was interrupted by the eagerness of those present to contribute. Dollars fell like snowflakes in a heavy storm and rattled like the discharge of

musketry. In ten minutes enough had been raised to defray all expenses.

On motion Judge F. S. Moore was instructed to draw up a petition to the senate, asking it to vote against the bill. It was circulated throughout the city Wednesday by several prominent citizens and received between 800 and 900 subscribers. This was forwarded to Col. Wm. Thorne, president of the senate.

On motion, Judge Kearby and Judge Naylor were instructed to draft suitable telegrams to be at once dispatched to Hon. Henry George and to the president of the senate, notifying them of the action taken and requesting that body to defer action until our delegation could arrive.

It was reported that mass meetings were also held at Cayce, Jordan and Madrid Bend to protest against the bill.

What is known as the Hargrove bill, introduced by our representative, and which passed the lower house Monday, provides that the terms of the circuit court be divided, and that it hold one week in Hickman and one week in Fulton of each term. When the term is a three weeks one, the time is to be equally divided between the two towns.

The result of such a bill becoming a law would be endless confusion, great expense and inconvenience, untold risk in the transfer of records and valuable papers, thousands of dollars to be paid out for mileage for witnesses and jurors, the maintenance of two seats of government so far as the court is concerned, two county jails, two county court houses (for if the bill becomes a law Fulton can force the county to provide both jail and court house), and finally such a tangle that the county's affairs would never become straightened out. It is without doubt the most absurd bill ever introduced into any legislature. It was conceived

and introduced solely for the benefit of Fulton at the expense of Hickman, and it can safely be said that two-thirds of the voters of Fulton county are strenuously opposed to it. It should never have been introduced, but now that it has gone beyond the first stage, it should be strangled before it has an opportunity to do the damage it is intended to. By concerted action on the part of the western portion of the county this can certainly be done. Let every man put a plug in where he thinks it will do the most good and the bill can yet be killed.

#### The New Court House.

For the first time since its completion we were shown through the new court house this week. (Wes Morris, the affable circuit clerk, was our guide, and he left nothing to be desired.) Its praises have been sung in every portion of county, but the facts have not been under our notice. It is a dandy. To attempt to describe all its manifold points of elegance and supremacy would require more time than it would a young lover to tell of all the beauty of his best girl. If you have never been to see it, do so at your earliest opportunity. Your time will be well spent. It is the finest, most complete and best finished structure of its kind in the state of Kentucky, price considered; and the finest in West Kentucky, whether price is considered or not—and there is at least one that cost twice as much, or \$42,000.

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### CIRCUIT COURT.

The following cases were disposed of last Thursday by the circuit court, too late for publication:

Commonwealth vs Ben Halfacre; arrested on indictment for unlawfully injuring cattle on Mrs. Reed's place—case continued, and bond furnished in sum of \$100.

Johnson vs Scott; suit for rent of land—judgment for defendant.

W. K. Hall vs. Mrs. Emma Godwin, mechanic's lien—Judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$774.36, and ordered that master commissioner sell house and lot in Fulton to satisfy same.

F. W. Cook vs J. T. Burton; petition for ownership of strip of land or its equivalent—Judgment for defendant. Plaintiff filed an appeal Tuesday.

Mrs. Fannie M. Price vs. Fraternal Union; suit for life insurance—Judgment for plaintiff for \$176.

J. B. Keathley vs. Owen Bros—Judgment for defendant for \$377.50.

The jury commissioners for the ensuing year are: H. F. Taylor, Fulton; O. B. Carlin, Jordan; J. R. Brown, Hickman. These gentlemen will place the 250 games in the covered wheel from which are drawn the jurors for each term of the circuit court for the next year.

At noon Thursday court adjourned until the May term.

#### New Coal Elevator.

A new coal elevator 40x100 in dimensions, and having a capacity of 9,000 tons of coal, is being erected on the river banks just below the Lee Line offices by A. A. Farris, Jr. Contractor W. J. Spradlin, with a large force of men, is doing the work. It is proposed by Mr. Farris to have an incline run from the main building to a point near the river, where the barges are un-

loaded, and to have small cars convey the coal from there up. The motive power will be steam, and the cars regular elevator cars which will greatly facilitate the unloading of barges and the loading of railroad cars. Mr. Spradlin will complete his contract within a week and the elevator will be ready for the reception of coal in about two weeks. The cost will be about \$8,500. Nothing but Pittsburg coal will be handled.

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### Answers Wanted.

The Courier this week received the following communication from one of its readers at Cayce. If any of our readers can answer the lady's questions we will be pleased to publish them.

Cayce, Feb. 2, 04.

Editor Courier—Can you tell me how I can make a rag carpet out of two pairs of old pantaloons, a linen vest and an old flannel night-gown so it will cover a room twelve by fourteen feet? And how can I make a rag carpet so that it cannot be detected from a body Brussels? Yours very truly,

For weak digestion, belching or sour stomach use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and you will get quick relief. For sale by T. T. Swayne.

#### Chester Bondurant Resigns.

Chester Bondurant, who for several years has been the assistant cashier at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, has resigned his position. He has been succeeded by Ben Ramage, recently with T. T. Swayne, who in turn was succeeded by Bob Goafder, an old Hickman boy, but more recently from Paul's Valley, I. T. What Mr. Bondurant will do in future he has not yet decided. He is one of the most popular young society men in town, a genial, whole-souled fellow, whom it is a pleasure to meet and an honor to know. Whatever business he goes into, we wish him success.

#### MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCE.

One was pale and shallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c. at all druggists.